

BUNCOMBE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: January 15, 2013

**Action Requested:**

Increase Preparedness program budget by \$21,612 to reflect additional federal funding.

Emergency preparedness and response efforts are intended to support the National Response Framework and the National Incident Management System. Funds are used to enhance all hazards planning and direction, coordination and assessment, surveillance and detection capacities, risk communication and health information dissemination, telecommunications capabilities, and education and training. Funds are made available to all local health departments through a funding formula based on population, land square miles and total square miles.

Buncombe County primarily uses the funds to pay for a contracted Preparedness Planner/Coordinator. These additional funds will be used for new preparedness promotions, equipment and supplies.

No county funds are required.

NCGS Requiring Service: 10A NCAC 48B.0302, .0303, .0304, .0401

NCGS requires we PROVIDE:

or ENSURE AVAILABLE IN COMMUNITY:

Alternative Service Delivery Methods considered and evaluated:

Funds/Staff requested: There are no county funds or staff requested.

Request submitted by: Jim Holland for Gibbie Harris

Date Submitted: December 10, 2012

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**Action Requested:**

Increase Disease Control program budget by \$3,837 to reflect additional federal funding.

The federal funding comes through the PCSI (Program Collaboration Service Integration) Program. The primary mission of the PCSI Program is to increase collaboration among disease control programs and increase integration of prevention, testing and treatment services for infections which may be interrelated due to characteristics such as risk, transmission or other factors.

Specifically, the funding is used to integrate testing for HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases. Because there is a high incidence of co-morbidity, health departments receiving these funds will provide HIV tests along with syphilis tests, gonorrhea, Chlamydia, TB and hepatitis C testing to local populations with high prevalence of HIV/STDs and/or high risk factors for HIV/STDs. This integration of testing will increase the proportion of individuals that are aware of their status through an increase in the number of clients tested for HIV and other STDs.

These funds will pay for lab tests for hepatitis C and lab tests for Chlamydia for males.

No county funds are required.

NCGS Requiring Service: 10A NCAC 46.0214

NCGS requires we PROVIDE: Communicable disease control

or ENSURE AVAILABLE IN COMMUNITY:

Alternative Service Delivery Methods considered and evaluated: n/a

Funds/Staff requested: There are no county funds or staff requested.

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